

House Resolution No. 2822

Whereas, it is with great pride and sincere admiration that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri couple who have enjoyed tremendous personal success through the bonds of Holy Matrimony; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Goddard, cherished residents of Harrisonville, Missouri, commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary on April 27, 2003, with a festive celebration and Open House held at the Freeman Community Building; and

Whereas, it was on May 1, 1953, that Walter Goddard took the hand of his beautiful bride, Margaret Smith, and together they were joined in marriage before the eyes of God during a memorable wedding ceremony in Harrisonville; and

Whereas, since that happy day, Walter and Margaret Goddard have witnessed with pleasure the growth of their mutual trust and understanding, qualities which continue to endear them to one another with each passing year; and

Whereas, a proud father and caring husband, Mr. Goddard provided a safe and secure future for his loved ones as a stellar employee with Bendix (Honeywell) for thirty-five and one-half years, while Mrs. Goddard distinguished herself through employment opportunities with Hallmark and Westinghouse, and membership in the Domestic Dames Club; and

Whereas, devout members of the First Christian Church who enjoy fishing, traveling, and visiting their grandchildren, Walter and Margaret Goddard have relished every moment they have spent nurturing their three children, Ronald Goddard, Robert Goddard, and Debra Goddard Schewe; and spoiling their five wonderful grandchildren; and

Whereas, Walter and Margaret Goddard often reflect upon the joys and rewards they have experienced during their fifty years of marriage and look forward to beginning their sixth decade of wedded success and happiness:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most sincere and heartfelt congratulations to Walter and Margaret Goddard upon the glorious celebration of their Golden Wedding Anniversary, and in wishing them only the very best as they continue to walk hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Walter Goddard, as a measure of our esteem for them.

Offered by _____
Representative Rex Rector
District No. 124

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2822, adopted May 13, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker